

Cal OES Daily Situation Report

February 7, 2015



Round Fire, Inyo County – 02/06/15
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National Terrorism Advisory System Current Alerts



Note: [Report changes/updates are in blue](#)

SITUATION SUMMARY

Round Fire, Inyo and Mono Counties

- Location: West of Highway 395 at the Sherwin Grade, SRA/FRA
- Acreage: 7000 acres, 30% containment
- Structures Destroyed: approximately 30 Residences destroyed, 5 residences damaged, unknown number of out-buildings destroyed. Structure assessment ongoing.
- Evacuations: The Town of Paradise and Swall Meadows in Mono County are under mandatory evacuations. Unknown number of evacuations at this time. Voluntary evacuations for residents in Lower Rock Creek, Sunny Slopes and Tom's Place
- The Sheriff's Dept. is going door-to-door in Swall Meadows this morning..
- Shelters: An evacuation shelter has been established at the Crowley Lake Community Center located at 458 S. Landing Road, Mammoth Lakes, CA 93546. Current Population Count - 0
- A Fire Management Assistance Grant (FMAG) has been submitted to Cal OES and has been placed on hold.
- Cal OES Duty Officers continue to monitor the incident.

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Van Dyke Fire, Mono County

- Location: Point Ranch, South of Bridgeport
- Unified Command: Type 3 Management Team assigned
- Acreage: 300+ acres, 30% contained
- Dangerous rate of spread
- Threat to multiple structures in the area. Currently providing point protection within structures
- High winds continue to hamper suppression efforts.
- Fire is burning in scattered sage, pinyon juniper and grass. Some fuels are not being fully consumed creating reburn potential.
- Evacuations: LDO also advised per Mono County, evacuations were lifted for the 20 homes previously evacuated in Bridgeport.
- Shelters: An evacuation shelter has been established at Bridgeport Memorial Hall located at 73 N. School Street, Bridgeport, CA 93517.
Current Population Count - 0
- No State resources committed
- 3 Local Government Engines assigned.
- At 1946 hours on 02/06/15, CUEA advised per an on-site Southern California Edison manager, one out-building burned and one regulator building was destroyed in the fire. 748 customers are impacted due to the destroyed regulator building, but 1,500 customers total are impacted by this fire. No estimated time of restoration at this time.
- LDO advised the previous generator request has been cancelled after having a discussion with CUEA. The facility damaged by the fire is still in-accessible as a result of the fire. Repair crews are standing by and will make repairs as soon as feasible
- Power outage in Bridgeport affecting communication infrastructure. Per PSC, a temporary radio fix was installed which restored 911 service to the area. Mono County Sheriff is now taking their own 911 calls. 911 calls were previously sent to alternate PSAP Inyo County Sheriff due to a burned fiber optic cable in the area.
- Cal OES Duty Officers and CUEA continue to monitor the incident.
- At approximately 1530 hours Friday February 6th, the Round Incident damaged a Verizon fiber optic cable south of Bridgeport, interrupting 911 service in Mono County. Inyo County was able to receive Mono's 911 calls until a temporary fix restored Mono's 911 services in the evening. The fire damaged a Southern California Edison station, losing electrical service to approximately 1500 homes in the Bridgeport area. As of this morning the Sheriff's Dept. advises there is landline service in Bridgeport, but cellular service is down.
- This morning Mono County Sheriff Braun notified the LDO that she had proclaimed an emergency as of 1407 hours on February 6.

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Weather of Concern

- The atmospheric river (AR) is impacting Northern California and should bring two waves of precipitation: first wave through today and second Sunday into Monday. This should be a significant rain event for much of Northern California. Highest confidence of heavy rainfall is north of Interstate 80. Rainfall amounts along the southern portion of the storm (South of I-80) could change significantly based on storm track. A few inches of snow possible near Sierra pass levels today and then snow levels will rise.
- Precipitation is expected through Monday. The weather system moves in this afternoon and evening generating another round of light to moderate rain. There will be a second lull with the rain in the form of showers from late tonight into Sunday morning as the region is again between systems. The next weather system moves in Sunday afternoon into Sunday evening. Then rain showers again on Monday.
- Impacts include:
 - Urban and small stream flooding
 - Main Stem River flooding possible (Ord Ferry, Tehama & Vina-Woodson Bridges, Colusa, Tisdale & Moulton Weir flows this weekend)
 - Potential for debris flows near wildfire burn scars
 - Localized power outages & downed trees due to southerly winds
 - Winter road conditions expected today near pass levels
 - Thunderstorms possible added impact
- The California Nevada River Forecast Center (CNRFC) shows that four river points are above Flood Stage:
 - Navarro River
 - Klamath River at Seiad Valley
 - Eel River at Fern Bridge
 - Scott River at Fort Jones
 - Projected flood stage heights currently do not pose a significant threat to homes.
- Numerous High Wind Watches, Flood Watches, Flash Flood Watches, and Flood Warnings are in place across portions of Northern California.

Active Weather Warnings, Watches and Advisories by County: http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/sto/brief/wwa_bc_cal.php



Precipitation Forecast

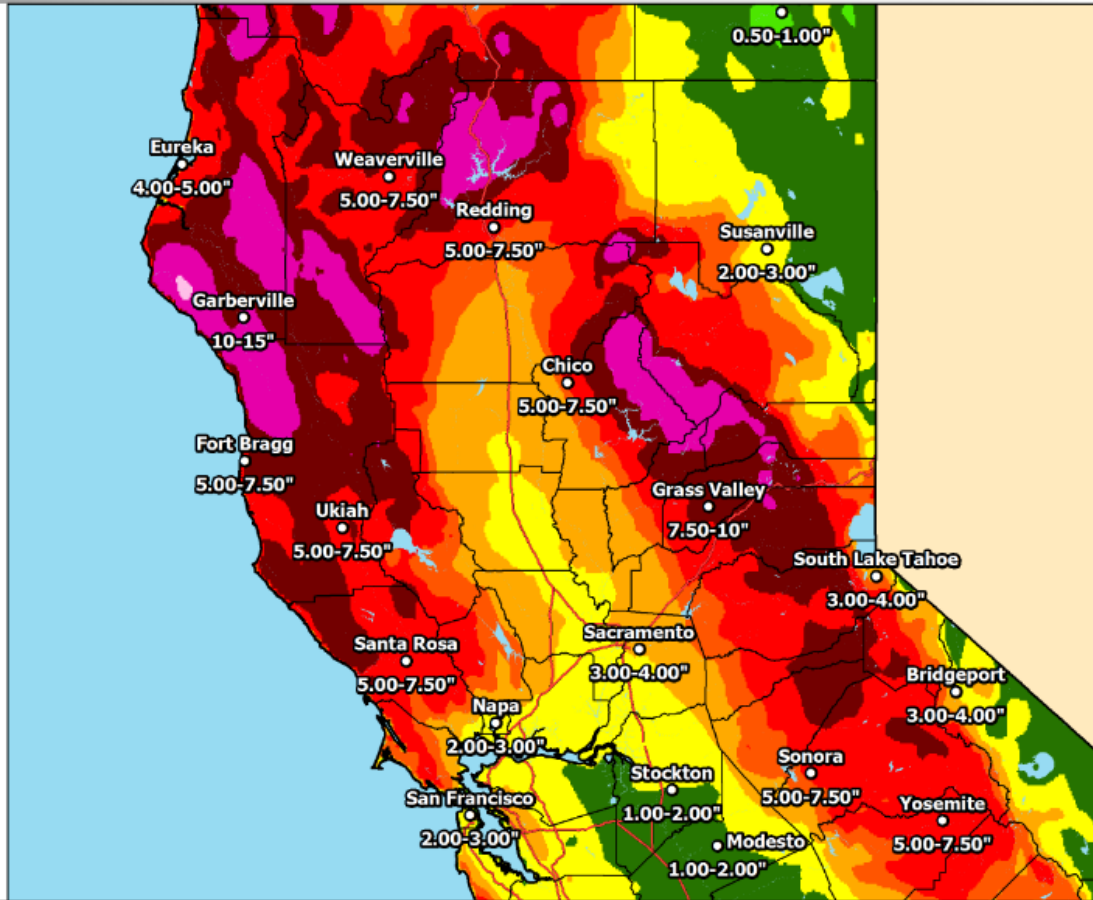
Storm Total Precip: Thursday - Monday

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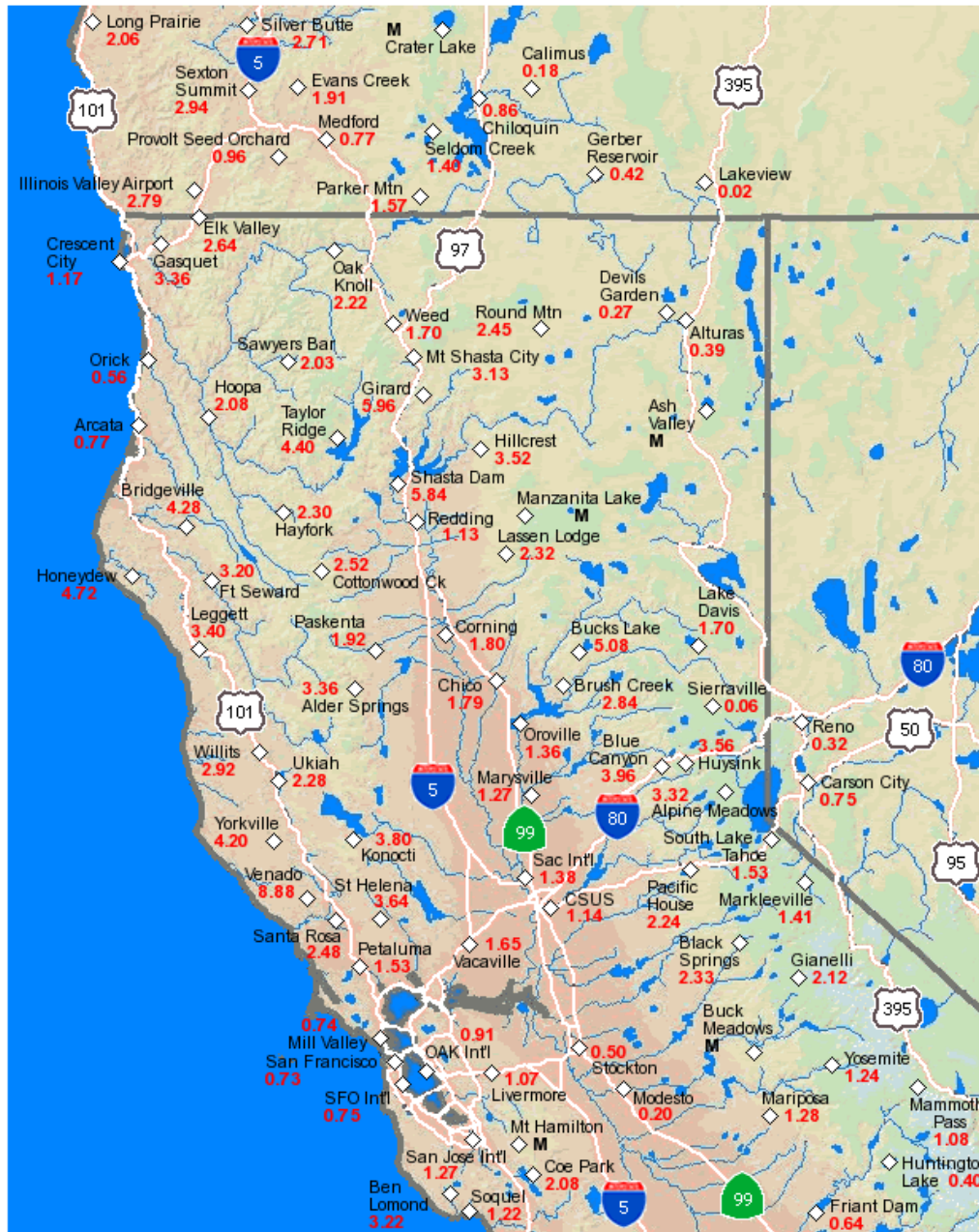
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Inland Region - 2015 Statewide February Winter Storms

Activations

- At 1300 hours on 02/06/15 the Inland REOC activated to Level 2 due to several weather related incidents throughout the region. Currently, there are no staffing needs anticipated for the IREOC. The IREOC returned to Level 1 activation at 2030 hours on 02/06/15 and will only reactivate if the need arises.
 - Siskiyou, Shasta, and El Dorado Counties were activated at Level 1, but have reduced to Duty Officer Status
 - San Joaquin County has activated at Level 1 as of 0500 hours this morning.
 - Lassen and Plumas Counties at Duty Officer Status

Siskiyou County

- Evacuated approximately 15-20 trailer homes at the Gazelle Trailer Park due to rising creek waters that local officials were unable to mitigate. Cal Fire crew assisted with sandbagging and evacuation of Gazelle Trailer Park area. Resources have been released. Mission 2015-IREOC-8528 completed and closed.
- An evacuation shelter has been established and placed at standby at the Siskiyou County Fairgrounds, 1712 Fairlane Road, Yreka. At the time of this report, there is no one at the shelter and the shelter has been placed on standby.
- There are numerous power outages and trees down countywide in addition to heavy rains and rising creeks.

Lassen County

- The Lassen Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, 2005 River Street, Susanville has experienced significant exterior roof damage from the high winds. Open trusses are exposed in several locations. In addition there is a system-wide power outage in the area. County OES and Public Health have made a decision to evacuate the facility and temporarily move the residents to a medical shelter/alternate care site located at the Lassen County Fairgrounds, 195 Russell Avenue, Susanville. OES and local public health representatives are currently on site evaluating the situation. Roofers as well as a building inspector are en route to assist with facility evaluation.
- The medical shelter/ACS is being established with local caches of equipment from Lassen County and High Desert State Prison. Additional supplies from Butte, Plumas and Shasta counties have been identified in the event that they are needed. County OES and Public Health will re-evaluate the situation in the morning and make decisions related to repatriation or longer term resident relocation.
- Widespread power outages exist countywide. Feeds from Feather River and Hat Creek are down. Long term outages expected.
- Per Cal OES Telecommunications, CESRS/CLERS/FIRE NET are impacted at Shaffer Mountain and is on generator power.

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Inland Region - 2015 Statewide February Winter Storms

Plumas County

- A Proclamation from Plumas County has been received due a severe winter storm event bringing high winds and heavy rains resulting in loss of electrical power and communications, road blockages, structural damage, and hazardous material releases. A Governor's concurrence has been requested as well as a Presidential Declaration.
- Estimates are approximately 30-50 homes have suffered wind damage. Three schools and six public buildings are known to be damaged as well.
- Communications outages are due to power outages throughout the county.
- A spreadsheet of damages is being developed.
- The county is evaluating resource needs.
- Per Cal OES Telecommunications, CESRS/CLERS/FIRE NET are impacted at Hough Mountain and is on generator power. Technicians are on site to bring the link back up.

Shasta County

- Shasta County is experiencing many of the same problems as Lassen County in the Hat Creek/Burney area.
- Very high winds have caused widespread power outages and downed trees.
- Microwave connectivity is also impaired due to a generator failure on Hatchet Mountain. This will impact communications via the microwave system for CESRS/CLERS/FIRE NET back to Sacramento.

El Dorado County

- Three homes in Pollock Pines have been hit by one tree. No shelters are needed at this time.
- There are multiple road closures due to trees down. Caltrans removed a tree from Highway 50, clearing an earlier closure.
- Localized flooding and multiple power outages are also affecting the county.

SITUATION SUMMARY

Inland Region - 2015 Statewide February Winter Storms (cont.)

Deployments

- Inland Region personnel deployed to Lake County in support of Coastal Region. Inland ESC has been demobilized and will return home this morning.

Missions

- **2015-IREOC-8528: Siskiyou:** Cal FIRE hand crew to assist locals with sandbagging of Gazelle Creek. Overtopping creek banks were threatening homes. The crews have demobilized and the mission closed.
- **2015-IREOC-8532: Lassen:** Supplies are needed from a 50-bed field hospital to support the evacuation of a care home. Resource is located at High Desert Prison.
- **2015-IREOC-8552: Plumas:** Cal FIRE hand crews to assist with tree debris removal from Lake Almanor Basin. Crew to be utilized during normal operational hours. The crew was utilized on 2/06/15 and will continue to be needed today, 2/07/15.

Utilities

- Per CUEA, as of 2000 hours on 02/06/15, 1,124 customers are without power in Inland Region.

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Coastal Region - 2015 Statewide February Winter Storms

- The Cal OES Coastal Region Management and the Cal OES Coastal Duty Officer (CDO) have been and will continue to conduct regional conference calls with National Weather Service (NWS) Offices, State Partners, and Operational Areas (OAs) at 1100 and 1600 hours daily, in order to gather situational awareness, anticipate needs, and possible activations.
- The two staff staged at Mendocino and Lake Counties were released from duties last night, 2/06/15.
- Per the NWS, Mendocino is likely to be hardest hit, with impacts also possibly affecting Humboldt, Lake, Sonoma, and Marin Counties.
- A Coastal ESC has been assigned to Mendocino OES and an Inland ESC has been assigned to Lake OES. Inland ESC has been demobilized and returned home this morning.

Mendocino County

Mendocino County advised as of 0000 hours on 02/07/15, storms knocked out P&GE power to several County sites: Oak Ridge, Fish Rock, Pt Arena, Matheson, Ft Bragg Station.

- All are running on generator except Ft Bragg Station. Per Sheriff's Sgt., generator is running but the building power is out and Ft Bragg PD radio is off-line.
- County Microwave and Sheriff's voting receiver is on battery backup and battery backup is estimated to last till 1200 hours today.
- Estimated restoration time is unknown. Wide spread with approximately 5000 customers without power between Caspar and Rockport.
- Mendocino County Facilities had been informed and is handling the generator/building power restoration.

Utilities

- The PG&E San Francisco EOC, at 245 Market, is activated at Level 3 (mid-level activation) through Sunday for the upcoming weather event.
- As of 0606 hours on 02/07/15, PG&E is reporting approximately 51,907 outages system-wide. PG&E has requested mutual aid to address latest outages.
- City of Orick specifically reports only 5 customers were out of power, they came in at midnight and lasted only 5 hours out of service
- Crews have been working past midnight Friday to restore power to the remaining 20 percent of Pacific Power customers in the Klamath area who have been without it since Thursday morning. Power began to be restored Friday afternoon to the 803 customers affected by the outage. An emergency generator transported 283 miles from Albany, OR, went online shortly before 1300 hours Friday. With help from the generator, about 500–600 customers were back online by 1930 hours, but repairs to the transmission line were still in progress. At midnight Pacific Power reported that about 150 customers were still without power.
- Once repairs are finished, power will be briefly cut to everyone originally affected by the outage in order to switch them over from the mobile generator to the regional power grid. Klamath Fire, Yurok Tribal Police and Del Norte County Sheriff personnel have been dispatched to make contact with the public and ensure that everyone was safe during the storm.

Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought

- SOC / Inland REOC remains activated in support of 2014 Drought

WEATHER

WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AND CENTRAL COASTAL AREAS:

Eureka Weather:

Gusty winds and showers will persist today. On Sunday, another system will bring heavy rain and strong winds to the area. Rains will decrease on Monday and come to an end Monday night.

Medford Weather:

A very stormy pattern continues over much of the Pacific Northwest this morning. Rain will continue through much of today but it will become lighter as the current system departs. The next system arrives Sunday and all residents of southwest Oregon and Northern California should be ready for more wind Sunday and Monday. This system will also bring rain but rainfall amounts will not be excessive compared to the last system. Drier weather is still on tap for at least the middle part of next week.

Reno Weather:

Breezy conditions will continue today with rain and high elevation snow showers continuing through this evening. After a brief break Sunday, another storm is likely late Sunday afternoon and Monday with additional rain and high elevation snow.

San Francisco Weather:

Lingering showers today mainly focused over the hills. Light rain chances will continue this evening and then increase overnight into Sunday. Steady rain is expected for the Bay Area and Central Coast on Sunday as a warm front moves through the region. Rain will turn to showers by Sunday night with showers lingering into Monday. High pressure builds Tuesday through Friday with a return to clear and mild weather.



WEATHER

WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA AND SOUTHERN SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY

Sacramento Weather:

Two waves of significant precipitation, heavy at times, will move through the area into early next week. The first wave will last through today and the second will occur Sunday into Monday. Breezy to windy conditions are expected. Drier conditions are expected for the middle to end of next week.

Hanford Weather:

Rain and high elevation snow is expected to impact the region through the weekend and will taper off by Monday. High pressure will return by Tuesday and provide for the return of dry weather, along with patchy nighttime and morning fog in the San Joaquin Valley starting Tuesday night through the remainder of next week.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA:

Los Angeles Weather:

A frontal system will bring a chance of light rain across much of the region today, mainly from Santa Barbara County northward. Another low pressure system will bring a good chance of rain for northern areas Sunday through Monday morning. Santa Ana conditions may develop for the middle to end of next week.

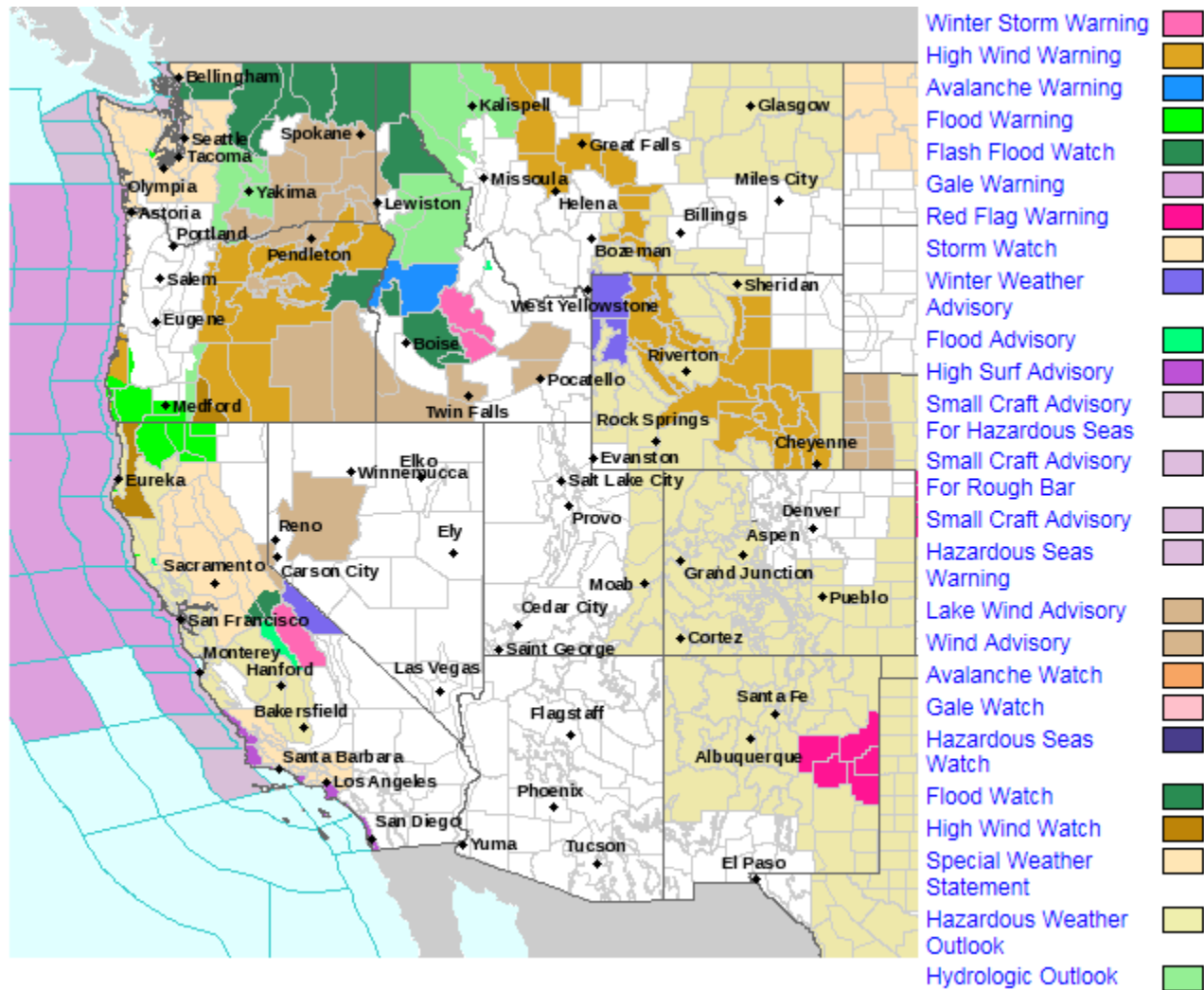
Extreme Southwestern California Including Orange, San Diego, Western Riverside and Southwestern San Bernardino Counties:

Low pressure systems moving by to the north will maintain onshore flow through early next week with areas of night and morning coastal low clouds and fog, and locally gusty west winds in the mountains and deserts at times. For late Tuesday into the end of the next week, periods of weak to moderate northeast winds are expected along with warmer temperatures.

Southeast California Weather:

High pressure will continue to dominate the weather over the Desert Southwest resulting in mostly clear skies and much above normal temperatures through early next week. Several days with high temperatures in the lower to middle 80s will be common at lower elevations. A slight cooling trend will commence by the middle of next week with the potential for a brief period of unsettled weather, though any substantial precipitation is unlikely.

STATE WEATHER MAP



Last map update: Feb, 7th 2015 at 10:49:30 am MST

FIRE ACTIVITY



Preparedness Levels

National Preparedness Level 1

Northern California

Preparedness Level 1, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 1

Southern California

Preparedness Level 2, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 2

California Fire Potential & Weather Maps

Southern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

<http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/8>

Northern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

<http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/10>

California Fire Weather Map Watches and Warnings

<http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/firewx/main.php>

NWS California River Forecast Center:

<http://www.cnrfc.noaa.gov/>

RECOVERY ACTIVITIES

Magnitude 6.0 Earthquake, American Canyon, Napa County

- Cal OES and FEMA announced that the Major Disaster declaration for the South Napa earthquake will also include the Individuals and Households Program under the Stafford Act. This amendment makes assistance available to help homeowners and renters recover from the earthquake.
- As a result of President Obama's major disaster declaration, the U.S. Small Business Administration declared Napa and Solano counties, making residents and business owners eligible to apply for low-interest physical loss disaster loans. This declaration also made available low-interest Economic Injury Disaster Loans (EIDL) for businesses to apply in the primary counties of Napa and Solano, as well as the contiguous counties of Contra Costa, Lake, Sacramento, Sonoma, and Yolo.

Recovery Activities

Public Assistance

- RPA: 63 RPAs were received and 15 have withdrawn for a total of 48 FEMA approved open applications.
- Kickoff Meeting: 56 Kickoff Meetings have been completed leaving 1 remaining to be scheduled once through FEMA's review queue. It is currently anticipated all kickoff meetings will be complete by 1/31/2015.
- Currently, 95 PWs are entered into the federal database system, 78 of which have been obligated.
- Exit Briefing: 19 applicants have had Exit briefings conducted.

Individual Assistance

- The FEMA and State VAL continue to work with nonprofit organizations in Napa and Solano Counties regarding Long Term Recovery efforts. The United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) is providing funds to hire initial case management staff for the Napa Earthquake Recovery Group (aka, eNERGy) and the Vallejo Earthquake Recovery Group (VERG). Both Long Term Recovery Groups are seeking funds from partner agencies to assist with unmet needs.
- Assistance Centers – The Local Assistance Center (LAC) in Napa transitioned to an SBA DLOC on Tuesday 12/30/14. The smaller operation maintains a presence by SBA staff. Hours of operation are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

RECOVERY ACTIVITIES

2014 Statewide December Winter Storms

- On 12/22/14, Governor Brown proclaimed a State of Emergency in Marin, Mendocino, San Mateo, and Ventura Counties to allow Caltrans to formally request immediate assistance through FHWA's ER Program in order to obtain federal assistance for highway repairs or reconstruction for damages sustained as a result of the statewide storms impacting California. After assessing the damages, Caltrans is requesting the Governor update his proclamation to include Alameda, Contra Costa, Del Norte, Humboldt, Lake, Los Angeles, Monterey, Orange, San Francisco, Santa Clara, Shasta, Sonoma, Tehama, and Yolo Counties. Cal OES' Recovery Section conducted an assessment to verify the Counties of Lake, Marin, San Mateo, Sonoma, and Tehama's Public Assistance estimates for debris removal, emergency work, and permanent restoration of public facilities in order to determine potential eligibility for State funding.

CAL OES 2014 DROUGHT

Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought

- The SOC, Inland, Coastal, and Southern REOCs and the Santa Barbara County EOC are activated in support of the Drought State of Emergency and continue to monitor the situation.
- The Governor issued an Executive Order on 09/19/14, to streamline relief efforts for families with drinking water shortages due to drought. Specifically, through the California Disaster Assistance Act, to provide temporary water supplies to households without water for drinking and/or sanitation purposes.
- CDAA 2014 Drought Fact Sheet and Frequently Asked Questions provided to Regions for reference and distribution.
- Cal OES Recovery continues to coordinate a biweekly state interagency conference call regarding drought community impacts.
- Regional (Inland, Coastal, Southern) conference calls will occur once a month beginning February 9, 2015.



Mission:

We protect lives and property, build capabilities, and support our communities for a resilient California.

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